

**The listing of claims presented below replaces all prior versions and listing of claims in the application.**

**Listing of claims:**

1. (Withdrawn) A method for the treatment of an individual having a condition characterised by abnormal myocardial cell Na<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup> or Ca<sup>2+</sup> ion levels, said method comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of one or more ss; 3 adrenoceptor agonists to said individual.
2. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 1 wherein the condition is selected from the group consisting of heart failure, and myocardial hypertrophy.
3. (Original) A method for the treatment of an individual suffering from or susceptible to heart failure or myocardial hypertrophy, said method comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of one or more ss; 3 adrenoceptor agonists to said individual.
4. (Original) The method according to claim 3 wherein the individual is an individual having one or more clinical symptoms of heart failure or myocardial hypertrophy.
5. (Original) The method according to claim 3 wherein the ss; 3 adrenoceptor agonist is selected from the group consisting of aryethanolamines, aryloxypropanolamines, trimetoquinols.
6. (Original) The method according to claim 3 wherein the ss; 3 adrenoceptor agonist is selected from the group consisting of BRL37344, BRL 35135, BRL 26830, BRL 26830A, BRL 35113, ZD7114, CGP12177, CGP 12177A, CGP-20712A, CL316243, ICI07114, ICI215001, ICI 201651, BRL35135A, BRL28410, N-5984, (R)-N-[4-[2-[[2-Hydroxy-2- (pyridin-3-yl)ethyl]amino]ethyl]phenyl]- 4- [4-(4-trifluoro-methylphenyl)thiazol-2- yl] benzenesulfonamide (L-796568), (R)-N-[4-[2-[[2-hydroxy-2-(3-pyridinyl)- ethyl]amino]ethyl]phenyl]-1-(4-octylthiazol-2-yl)-5-indolinesulfonamide (L-755507), L- 770,644, L-766,892, L-757,793, L-796568, LY-377604, Ro 40-2148, SB-220646, SB- 226552, SB-251023, SB-262552, SR 58306, SR

58375, SR 58339, SR 58611, SR 58611A, SR 59119A, GR-265261-X, AD-9677, and agonists of the series 2-(3-indolyl) alkylamino-1-(3-chlorophenyl)ethanols.

7. (Original) The method according to claim 3 wherein the ss; 3 adrenoceptor agonist is BRL37344.

8. (Original) The method according to claim 3 wherein the ss; 3 adrenoceptor agonist further comprises ss; 1 antagonist activity and or further comprises ss; 2 antagonist activity.

9. (Original) The method according to claim 3 further comprising administering one or more (3 blockers to said individual.

10. (Original) The method according to claim 9 wherein the (3 blocker is nadolol.

11. (Original) The method according to claim 9 wherein the (3 blocker is a ss; 1 and/or ss;2 adrenoceptor antagonist.

12. (Original) The method according to claim 9 wherein the (3 blocker is administered to said individual prior to, simultaneously with or subsequent to administration of the one or more ss; 3 adrenoceptor agonists.

13. (Original) The method according to claim 3 further comprising at least partially stabilizing said individual prior to administration of said ss; 3 adrenoceptor agonist.

14. (Original) The method according to claim 13 wherein said stabilizing comprises treatment with one or more compounds selected from the group consisting of ACE- inhibitors, aldosterone antagonists and (3 adrenoceptor antagonists.

15. (Withdrawn) A method for treatment of a condition characterised by abnormally high myocardial cell Na<sup>+</sup> ion level, said method comprising administration to an individual having said condition of a therapeutically effective amount of one or more ss;3 adrenoceptor agonists.
16. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 15 wherein said condition characterised by abnormally high myocardial cell Na<sup>+</sup> ion level is selected from the group consisting of heart failure, myocardial hypertrophy, and diabetic cardiomyopathy.
17. (Withdrawn) Use of one or more ss; 3 adrenoceptor agonists for the manufacture of a medicament for treatment of an individual having a condition characterised by abnormal myocardial cell Na<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup> or Cation levels.
18. (Withdrawn) One or more ss; 3 adrenoceptor agonists for use in the treatment of an individual having a condition characterised by abnormal myocardial cell Na<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup> or Ca<sup>2+</sup> ion levels.
19. (Withdrawn) Use of one or more ss; 3 adrenoceptor agonists for the manufacture of a medicament for treatment of an individual suffering from or susceptible to heart failure or myocardial hypertrophy.
20. (Withdrawn) One or more 03 adrenoceptor agonists for use in the treatment of an individual suffering from or susceptible to heart failure or myocardial hypertrophy.
21. (Withdrawn) A pharmaceutical composition for use in the treatment of an individual having a condition characterised by abnormal myocardial cell Na<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup> or Ca<sup>2+</sup> ion levels, the composition comprising one or more ss; 3 adrenoceptor agonists together with one or more pharmaceutically acceptable adjuvants, excipients and/or carriers.
22. (Withdrawn) A pharmaceutical composition for use in the treatment of an individual suffering

from or susceptible to heart failure or myocardial hypertrophy, the composition comprising one or more ss; 3 adrenoceptor agonists together with one or more pharmaceutically acceptable adjuvants, excipients and/or carriers.

23. (Withdrawn) A pharmaceutical composition comprising one or more ss; 3 adrenoceptor agonists and one or more ss; 1 and/or ss; 2 adrenoceptor antagonists, together with one or more pharmaceutically acceptable adjuvants, excipients and/or carriers.

24. (Withdrawn) A method for the extrusion of  $\text{Na}^+$  from a myocardial cell or cells, the method comprising contacting said cell (s) one or more ss; 3 adrenoceptor agonist(s).

25. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 24 wherein said method comprises Na,K pump stimulation.